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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **Foreign-Trade Zones Board**

**[B-24-2020]**

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 7 – San Juan, Puerto Rico; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Amgen Manufacturing Limited (Pharmaceuticals), Juncos, Puerto Rico**

Amgen Manufacturing Limited (Amgen) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Juncos, Puerto Rico. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on April 28, 2020.

Amgen already has authority to produce pharmaceuticals within Subzone 7M. The current request would add a foreign status material/component to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status material/component described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Amgen from customs duty payments on the foreign-status material/component used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status material/component noted below, Amgen would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to the pharmaceutical products in Amgen's existing scope of authority (duty-free). Amgen would be able to avoid duty on foreign-status components which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The material/component sourced from abroad is L-Carnosine (duty rate 6.5%). The request indicates that the material/component is subject to special duties under Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary and sent to: [ftz@trade.gov](mailto:ftz@trade.gov). The closing period for their receipt is **[INSERT DATE 40 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's website, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).

For further information, contact Juanita Chen at [juanita.chen@trade.gov](mailto:juanita.chen@trade.gov) or 202-482-1378.

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